

## OPINION 951

## RHYSSOPLAX THIELE, 1893 (AMPHINEURA): DESIGNATION OF A TYPE-SPECIES UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS

**RULING.**—(1) Under the plenary powers all designations of type-species for the nominal genus *Rhyssoplax* Thiele, 1893, made prior to the present Ruling, are hereby set aside, and the nominal species *Chiton affinis* Issel, 1869, is hereby designated to be the type-species of that genus.

(2) The generic name *Rhyssoplax* Thiele, 1893 (gender: feminine), type-species, by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above, *Chiton affinis* Issel, 1869, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1936.

(3) The specific name *affinis* Issel, 1869, as published in the binomen *Chiton affinis* (type-species of *Rhyssoplax* Thiele, 1893) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2437.

## HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1855)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission by Dr. A. G. Beu, Dr. R. K. Dell and Dr. C. A. Fleming in August 1968. The application was sent to the printer on 29 August 1968 and was published on 17 January 1969 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **25** : 184–185. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (Constitution Art. 12b; *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **21** : 184). No comment was received.

## DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 1 June 1970 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (70)19 either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **25** : 185. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 1 September 1970 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—fourteen (14), received in the following order: Holthuis, Melville, Lemche, Sabrosky, Vokes, Starobogatov, Obruchev, Tortonese, Jaczewski, Mertens, Munroe, Binder, Forest, Ride.

Negative votes—none (0).

Voting Papers not returned—seven (7): do Amaral, Bonnet, Brinck, Evans, Kraus, Mayr, Simpson.

Dr. Eisenmann did not record a vote and Dr. Alvarado returned a late affirmative vote.

## ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for names placed on the Official Lists by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

*affinis*, *Chiton*, Issel, 1869, *Malac. Mar Rosso*: 234–5

*Rhyssoplax* Thiele, 1893, *Das Gebiss der Schnecken* **2** : 368

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (70)19 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 951.

R. V. MELVILLE  
*Secretary*

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*London*

*5 November 1970*